

BAY-DELTA ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting Package

February 17, 2000

Sacramento Association of Realtor's

2003 Howe Avenue

Sacramento, California



**CALFED
BAY-DELTA
PROGRAM**


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Date: February 9, 2000

To: Bay-Delta Advisory Council

From: Steven R. Ritchie
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Subject: February 17, 2000 Bay-Delta Advisory Council Meeting

The Bay-Delta Advisory Council's first meeting of 2000 will be held on February 17 in Sacramento at the Sacramento Association of Realtor's Auditorium, 2003 Howe Avenue (see enclosed map). Attached is an information packet for the meeting.

The CALFED Bay-Delta Program is in a period of transition, completing Phase II (planning phase) and preparing for implementation in Phase III. The BDAC agenda reflects this state of transition. In terms of finishing up work on Phase II, BDAC is being asked to assess the CALFED preferred program alternative (before the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement and Report is finalized) and to identify issues that still need to be addressed between now and into implementation of the Program. The rest of the agenda will be devoted to implementation issues, including providing a recommendation to the CALFED Policy Group on the Ecosystem Restoration FY 2001 Draft Implementation Plan. You will also be asked to discuss major issues confronting the Water Use Efficiency Program and progress being made on the Water Management Strategy Evaluation Framework.

The meeting will begin with an oral Executive Director's report. The report will be followed by your assessment of the strengths and weaknesses of the Preferred Program Alternative. Results of your assessment will be forwarded to the CALFED Policy Group.

CALFED Agencies

California The Resources Agency
Department of Fish and Game
Department of Water Resources
California Environmental Protection Agency
State Water Resources Control Board
Department of Food and Agriculture

Federal Environmental Protection Agency
Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
Bureau of Reclamation
U.S. Geological Survey
Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service
U.S. Forest Service
Department of Commerce
National Marine Fisheries Service
Western Area Power Administration

After the assessment, BDAC will receive a progress report on the Water Management Strategy Evaluation Framework. With regards to Water Use Efficiency, Mary Ann Dickenson (California Urban Water Conservation Council), Roger Reynolds (Agriculture Water Management Council) and Tom Gohring (CALFED WUE Program) will discuss with you major issues raised at the BDAC October 28, 1999 meeting and discussed in several WUE venues: who benefits from water conservation and discrepancies between CALFED conservation potential and cost estimates. The day will end with you being asked to concur with the Ecosystem Roundtable recommendation on the FY 2001 Ecosystem Restoration Draft Implementation Plan.

Your packet includes:

- Draft Meeting Agenda
- CALFED Bay-Delta Program Request for Proposals and Grant Application Notices
- Preferred Program Alternative Memo and Attachments
- Water Management Strategy Memo
- Water Use Efficiency Progress Report
- Ecosystem Restoration Implementation Plan Materials
- Meeting Summaries
- BDAC Member Letters and Responses

I look forward to seeing you on February 17. Happy New Year!